- Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives welcome with pleasure the opportunity to recognize a remarkable Missouri citizen whose efforts and accomplishments have made him a source of inspiration to all those around him; and
- Whereas, Vern Griffith of Sikeston, Missouri, has been chosen as a recipient of the Silver Beaver Award, a most impressive accolade bestowed upon him during the Boy Scouts of America Greater St. Louis Council annual meeting and awards banquet in St. Charles; and
- Whereas, the Silver Beaver Award was established in 1931, since which time only 50,000 people have been honored with this award; and
- Whereas, Vern Griffith was one of twenty-three Scouting volunteers out of more than 17,000 in the council that were chosen to be honored this year; and
- Whereas, Vern Griffith began his Scouting career as a volunteer in 1994, since which time he has served as an Assistant Cubmaster and Cubmaster with Cub Scout Pack 240 in Sikeston; and
- Whereas, Vern Griffith has also enjoyed recognition by serving nine years as Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 41, where he continues to serve as Assistant Scoutmaster; and
- Whereas, Vern Griffith has been involved in the Friends of Scouting fund raising campaign for more than ten years and currently serves as the Sikeston Area Campaign Chairman, in addition to serving as a Unit Commissioner with the Cherokee District Committee; and
- Whereas, Vern Griffith is a recipient the 2006 Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year award and a 2005 national community service award from the Farm Credit Council for his work with the Boy Scouts of America organization and Lions Club International; and
- Whereas, Vern Griffith can take pride in knowing he has consistently given more than one hundred percent to all those activities in which he has so generously and enthusiastically participated:
- Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Vern Griffith for his selection to receive the Silver Beaver Award and in further wishing him continued success in all future endeavors; and
- Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Vern Griffith.

Offered by
Representative Ellen Brandom
District No. 160
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I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4174, adopted July 9, 2007.